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| In re FARMERS UNION CENTRAL EXCHANGE, INC.; FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC.; FCX, INC.; LANDMARK, INC.; LAND O'LAKES, INC.; MIDLAND COOPERATIVES, INC.; MFA OIL COMPANY; and TENNESSEE FARMERS COOPERATIVE, | ) | On a Petition For a Writ of Mandamus to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois |
| Petitioners. | ) | |

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MOTION FOR AN EXPEDITED DETERMINATION

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Petitioners* respectfully move that the Court consider their Petition for a Writ of Mandamus on an expedited basis because it has a direct bearing on any action which this Court might take on October 4, 1982 regarding the stay of the judgment granted in Northern Pipeline Construction Co. v. Marathon Pipeline Co., No. 81-150 (June 28, 1982).

Specifically, petitioners propose that their petition be treated as their brief on the merits, and that any response be filed by September 27, 1982.

Respectfully submitted,

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* Petitioners' Rule 28.1 and Rule 28.4 statements are contained in their Petition for a Writ of Mandamus.

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David Schiffman, an attorney, certifies that on September 14, 1982, three copies of the Petition For A Writ of Mandamus and one copy each of the Motion For An Expedited Determination and the Motion For A Stay of Proceedings Pending a Determination On The Petition For A Writ Of Mandamus were served by Federal Express upon the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and by first-class mail, with postage prepaid, upon the Honorable Frederick J. Hertz, United States Bankruptcy Judge and upon each person listed in the attached Service List. All parties required to be ser[illegible] have been served.

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